

**Cresthill Middle School  
Technology Lab Visioning Project  
2009-2010**

**Intent and Rationale**

“How well are we equipping students for the 21st century?” This is our guiding question as we begin the process of “re-tooling” the Cresthill Middle School Technology Lab. The team listed below is being tasked with looking at the current state of material and modules in the CMS Tech. Lab and proposing how the lab will be transformed into a more effective 21st century learning environment.

**Action Plan (some elements having been completed, some to be added)**

These are the steps we are taking to make the most informed decisions:

- ✓ Development of an “open and readily available” discussion forum (see the Wikispace reference below);
- ✓ Formation of a “multi-curricular” team of Cresthill faculty;
- ✓ Collection of various offerings and resources in the area of educational “tech labs”;
- ✓ “Field trips” to district schools known to have robust tech. lab programs;
- ✓ Brainstorming on the essential needs and the possible path of the tech. lab program at CMS;
- ✓ Gathering of bids and pricing out of materials and modules;
- ✓ Presentation of proposal to administration;
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**The Team**

- Mark Wakefield, Team Lead (ITC/BRT & Social Studies)
- Jason Moore (Language Arts)
- Jennifer Haskell (Science)
- Kurt Slothouber (Math)
- Ron Foote (Choir, Technology)
- Sid Rundle, Administrative Lead

**Resources**

- We will be reading the book, *A Whole New Mind*, by Daniel Pink as we begin work on the project, helping us to define the role of education in the *Conceptual Age*.
- As mentioned above, we will regularly utilize our home base, the *Cresthill Middle School Technology Lab Project* Wikispace (found at <http://cmstechlab.wikispaces.com/>).
- District technology faculty, learning systems information, business partners, and interested community members.

